

HOUSE RESOLUTION 287
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A RESOLUTION to honor Houston Nathan Gordon, 1996
Valedictorian of Covington High School.

WHEREAS, it is appropriate that this General Assembly honor those individuals who through their natural talents and unflagging commitment have achieved excellence in their academic careers; and

WHEREAS, Houston Nathan Gordon is one such outstanding student who has distinguished himself as valedictorian of the 1996 class at Covington High School; and

WHEREAS, through long hours of diligent study, steady composure during examinations, and untiring commitment of time and talent, Mr. Gordon has achieved extraordinary academic success, and has joined the ranks of the elite students of Tennessee and our nation; and

WHEREAS, in his laudable high school career, Mr. Gordon has earned an exceptional 4.2857 grade point average; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Gordon has been an active participant in a number of extracurricular and academic organizations, including the National Honor Society, Student Council, #1 Club, Interact, and the Spanish Honor Society; he is a member of the Knowledge Bowl Team, participated in varsity football for three years and played the lead part in the senior play, "Li'l Abner"; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Gordon represented his school astutely as the Boys' State Delegate, and he was chosen to attend the prestigious Governor's School; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Gordon's display of intellectual prowess and inner drive surely bodes well for his future success as he pursues a degree at Dartmouth University; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Gordon's noteworthy achievement is a great source of pride for his parents, Houston and Debbie Gordon, and Charlotte Gordon, his school, and his community; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Gordon's dedication to excellence is clearly deserving of the respect, admiration, and commendation of this legislative body; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-NINTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, That we hereby commend and honor Houston Nathan Gordon, 1996 Valedictorian of Covington High School, on his impressive academic achievement, and extend to him our best wishes for a happy, successful future.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.